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Tangier, Octob. 30.

THE 28th instant, about break of day, the *Portsmouth* Frigat cruising somewhat to the Eastward of *Tariffa*, came up with the *Rose of Argiers* (formerly commanded by a *Canary*, but now by a *Lubeck* Renegado, a ship of about 40 Guns, and 350 men, most *Levantine* Turks, and the rest Renegadoes; plying to Windward, the Wind at E.) who upon the *Portsmouth*'s commanding him to send his Boat on board, immediately ran out his lower Tire of Guns, and put himself into a posture to fight; upon which the *Portsmouth* fired 6 or 7 shot through him, which the Turk answered with the like number, and a Volley of small shot, and clapt his Helm a-weather, and bore away. The *Portsmouth* continuing the Chace, and firing Guns to give notice to Sir *John Narborough*, and the rest of the English Men of War then in this Road; who all immediately weighed, and spread themselves; the Turk haled away to the Northward, thinking to run out a-head of them all; but finding the *Woolwich* commanded by Sir *John Ernely*, to gain upon him, after several shot received from and returned to him, tackt and stood away to the Southward, receiving each ships broad-side as he passed, and would, it's thought, have gone near to have escaped, but that the *James* Gally-Frigat mounted with 24 Guns, commanded by Captain *Canning*, who was the Southermost ship, poured a broadside into him, and shot his Main-top Mast by the board; the Turk continued fighting, and bore away under the *James* Stern, who stood with him, and laid him on board to the Larboard-side, and soon after the *Charles* Gally on the Starboard quarter; the Turk, after having made a desperate defence, the Captain and most of the Men killed, was taken, and brought hither. In this action Captain *Canning* was killed by a Musket shot.

Genoua, Octob. 13. The English Merchants here are very much concerned at the account they have of the barbarous usage of a Spanish Man of War to an English Vessel, bound hither from *Taranta*, laden with Corn; for the Spaniards after having taken away their Pass, Bills of Lading, and other Writings, stript the Master and Mariners stark naked, and twisting Cords round their Heads till almost their Eyes started out, put burning Match between their Fingers and Toes, to make them say they were bound to *Messina*, which they being forced by the pain of those insupportable Torments to do, they carried the Vessel to *Siracusa*, there landed the Corn, her Provisions, Guns, *&c.* and according to the last advice we had, were going to declare the ship Prize. Besides which, we hear of several other complaints of the insolencies and ill usage the English Vessels receive from the Spanish Men of War they happen to meet with at Sea.

Ditto, Novemb. 3. The 30 past arrived here the *Nightingal* in seven weeks from *Cadiz*, and in 14 from the *Canaries*. From *Marseilles* they write, that Sir *John Narborough* hath taken several *Algierines* since his coming into these Seas. From *Sicily* we have nothing of moment.

Madrid, Octob. 21. On Friday last arrived an Extraordinary Courier from *Rome*, with Letters to the Popes Nuncio here, giving an account of the great dissatisfaction the carriage of the Spanish Ambassador there had given the Pope, and of the resentment he had of it; upon which the Nuncio went immediately to Court, to acquaint the King and *Don Juan* with the Orders he had received to complain of the proceedings of the said Ambassador; the effect of which, according to the general opinion will be, that the said Ambassador will be recalled. Here is a discourse as if the Marquis *de los Balbaces*, who is now Ambassador at *Nimeguen*, would be made Governor of the Spanish Netherlands, in the room of the Duke *de Villa Hermosa*, who they say, desires to leave that Government. The Envoy of *Savoy* not having been able to obtain what he demanded in a certain matter, has declared to the Ministers here, that he has positive orders to return forthwith home; which many apprehend may be the beginning of a misunderstanding between this Crown and the Regent of *Savoy*, who we already look upon as too favourable to the Interests of *France*.

Cadiz, Novemb. 3. The 28 past, the *Portsmouth* Frigat gave chace to an Algierine Man of War, mounted with 40 or 38 Guns (but could carry 50) their firing gave alarum to the other English Frigats that were at anchor in *Tangier* Bay, who immediately put themselves under sail. The Algierine was one of the best Sailers those people have, commanded by a Renegado of *Lubeck*, and in all probability would have escaped, had it not been for the diligence and bravery of Captain *Canning* and Captain *Hamilton*, Commanders of the *Charles* and *James* Frigats, who coming up with the Turk, laid him both on board, the Turks being made desperate by the encouragement of their Captain, who, as a Renegado, could expect no quarter, and by the force of Brandy, of which they had as much as they would drink, a Cask being lashed to the Main-mast, maintained the Fight stourly; but the English soon obliged them to quit their upper Deck, and betake themselves to their Gun-deck, which they maintained about an hour longer; and when all their great Guns were dismounted, and that they could make no more use of their small shot, they threw Cannon shot out of their Portholes into the English Boats, which hurt some men. The Turk being taken, the Captain, and 150 Men were found slain, and a great many wounded; and it appeared that they were very much beholding to the Spirit of Brandy for the Courage they had shown in this defence, for most of the Men that remained, were found drunk; of the English Captain *Canning* was killed, and about 20 or 30 more killed and wounded.

Leghorne, Octob. 27. By a Vessel arrived here we are informed, that the Privateers of *Zealand*, which cruise in these Seas, have taken a Corsair of of *Tripoli* mounted with 18 Guns, and have carried her to *Trapani*; and that an *Algierine*, of 30 Guns, and 400 men, being richly laden from *Alexandria* for *Argiers*, had been burnt, the Turks setting themselves fire to her,